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Applicant(s) Application No. 09/972,870 WEI, CHING-YUAN Interview Summary Examiner Art Unit 2621 James A. Fletcher All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel): (1) James A. Fletcher USPTO. (3)Aaron Poledna A/R. (2) Cameron Pilling A/R. (4)____. Date of Interview: 09 January 2008. Type: a)⊠ Telephonic b)□ Video Conference c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e)⊠ No. If Yes, brief description: _____. Claim(s) discussed: 18. Identification of prior art discussed: Beckert 6,202,008. Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) \times N/A. Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet. (A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.) THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: A/R Beckert explained the invention as an integrated optical disk and media card reader in a single chassis, and provided proposed claim amendment for discussion.

Examiner Fletcher noted that the integration of components of a known system such as a personal computer into a smaller chassis would likely be an obvious rejection, and noted that claim language should be added that explicitly disclosed a feature of the invention that was not understood to be a normal feature of a PC.

Examiner Fletcher noted that the signal path shown in Fig. 1 from the media card via the bus through the optical disk reader to the display and speaker did not seem to be a feature of PCs as understood by those of skill in the art, since PCs typically couple their audio and video outputs directly to the bus rather than the optical disk reader, and that a recitation of such a signal path would overcome the Beckert rejection.

A/R Pilling noted that he felt that was a feature of the invention that they felt they could claim, and expressed his appreciation for the suggestion by the Examiner.

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